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SUBJECT: SOVIET ATTITUDE TOWARDS KHMER REPUBLIC

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REF: A. PRAGUE 2840 B. WARSAW 6369 C. PHNOM PENH 14004

1. EMBOFF CALLED ON GKR CHARGE DECEMBER 19 TO ASCERTAIN WHETHER HE HAD RECEIVED ANY INDICATIONS OF SOVIET INTENTION TO BREAK RELATIONS AND RECOGNIZE GRUNK. HE WAS AWARE OF REPORT FROM PRAGUE BUT SAID HE HAD HEARD NOTHING HERE. THE SITUATION
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OF HIS MISSION IN MOSCOW REMAINED UNCHANGED.

HOWEVER, HE UNDERSTOOD THAT GKR MISSION IN EAST BERLIN HAD RECENTLY BEEN FORCED TO VACATE OFFICE PREMISES AND HAD BEEN DEPRIVED OF LOCAL EMPLOYEES.

2. SOVIET PRESS HAS CONTINUED TO PORTRAY GKR SITUATION IN GLOOMY TERMS AND TO CARRY PERIODIC REPORTS OF SIHANOUK STATEMENTS. FOR EXAMPLE, PRAVDA DECEMBER 18 QUOTED RECENT SIHANOUK CLAIM OF GRUNK CONTROL OVER 5 OF 17 PROVINCES, AS WELL AS BULK OF REMAINING TERRITORY OUTSIDE PROVINCIAL CAPITALS. ANOTHER SIGN OF THE TIMES WAS DECEMBER 15 TRUD (NATIONAL LABOR UNION DAILY) PHOTO REPRINTED FROM NEWSWEEK SHOWING GKR SOLDIER HOLDING PISTOL TO FOREHEAD OF PRISONER.

3. AGAINST THIS PRESS BACKGROUND, WE WOULD NOT FIND IT SURPRISING IF SOVIETS AND THEIR FRIENDS SHOULD ANNOUNCE BREAK WITH GKR AND RECOGNITION OF GRUNK IN NEAR FUTURE.SOMMERLATTE

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